

# HOUSING AUTHORITY of the County of Los Angeles

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August 29, 2006

Honorable Board of Commissioners Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Commissioners:

ACCEPT RESIDENT OPPORTUNITIES AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY RESIDENT SERVICE DELIVERY MODELS PROGRAM FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (ALL DISTRICTS)

(3 Vote)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as described herein, because it does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to accept from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a \$450,000 grant of Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Resident Service Delivery Models Program (ROSS Program) funds to implement a three-year supportive services program to promote independent living for up to 1,529 elderly and persons with disabilities who reside at the 14 conventional public housing sites identified in Attachment A.
- 3. Authorize the Executive Director to execute all documents required for receipt of the grant, and to incorporate the funds into the Housing Authority's approved 2006-2007 Fiscal Year budget.



4. Authorize the Executive Director to prepare and execute contracts and any amendments thereto, including increasing contract amounts by up to 25 percent, as needed, with multiple community organizations and service providers, in a combined total amount not to exceed \$450,000, to assist with program planning, implementation, and administration of activities, in accordance with HUD requirements, following approval as to form by County Counsel.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The purpose of this action is to authorize the Housing Authority to accept from HUD \$450,000 in ROSS Program funds to implement a comprehensive supportive services program that promotes independent living for the elderly and persons with disabilities who reside in 14 conventional public housing sites.

# **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no impact on the County general fund. The \$450,000 grant, to be incorporated into the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2006-2007 budget will be matched by over \$428,776 in in-kind services from community organizations and service providers.

# **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:**

In July 2005, the Housing Authority submitted a funding application to HUD under the 2005 ROSS Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program. For Fiscal Year 2006-2007, \$16.2 million was available for this program through a nationally competitive awards process.

In January 2006 HUD awarded the Housing Authority a \$450,000 grant, which will be used to provide the elderly and persons with disabilities who are public housing residents with and array of supportive services including: program coordination, home assistance, mental health assessments, transportation assistance, translation services, home-delivered meal programs, case management and other related activities designed to promote independence and increase quality of life.

At its meeting of August 23, 2006, the Housing Commission recommended acceptance of the grant.

This letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION:**

This project is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 58, Section 58.34(a)(4),

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because it involves public service activities that will not have a physical impact on or result in any physical changes to the environment. The activity is not subject to the provisions of CEQA, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because it is not defined as a project under CEQA and does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT PROGRAMS:**

The grant will enable the Housing Authority to implement programs and services that promote independent living and an improved quality of life for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLOS JACKSON Executive Director

Attachments: 2

#### ATTACHMENT A

#### **ROSS PROGRAM SITES**

#### LARGE SITES

#### **CARMELITOS**

700-1100 Via Wanda 900 Via Carmelitos Long Beach, CA 90805

#### **HARBOR HILLS**

26607 S. Western Ave. Lomita, CA 90717

#### **NUEVA MARAVILLA**

4919 Cesar E. Chavez Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90022

#### **LOMITA MANOR**

24925 Walnut Street Lomita, CA 90717

#### NORTH COUNTY

#### **FOOTHILL VILLA**

2423 Foothill Blvd. La Crescenta, CA 91214

#### **ORCHARD ARMS**

23410-23540 Wiley Canyon Rd. Valencia, CA 91355

#### **SOUTH COUNTY**

# **SOUTHBAY GARDENS**

230 E. 130<sup>th</sup> St. Los Angeles, CA 90061

### **WEST COUNTY**

#### **WEST KNOLL APTS.**

838 West Knoll Dr. West Hollywood, CA 90069

#### PALM APTS.

959 Palm Ave. West Hollywood, CA 90069

#### **MARINA MANOR I**

3401 Via Dolce Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

#### MARINA MANOR II

3405 Via Dolce Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

#### **EAST COUNTY**

#### WHITTIER MANOR

11527 Slauson Ave. Whittier, CA 90606

#### HERBERT AVE.

133 Herbert Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90063

#### FRANCISQUITO VILLA

14622 Francisquito Ave. La Puente, CA 91746

# **Attachment B**

# Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office Grants Management Statement for Grants of \$100,000 or More

Department: The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles
Grant Project Title and Description Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency (ROSS) Resident Service Delivery Models (RSDA): to provide the elderly and persons with disabilities who are public housing residents with and array of supportive services including: program coordination, home assistance, mental health assessments, transportation assistance, translation services, home-delivered meal programs, case management, mental heal assessments, and other related activities designed to promote independence and increase quality of life.
Funding Agency U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development  Program (Fed. Grant #/State Bill/Code #) CFDA Number: 14.876  Acceptance Deadline 8/30/2006
Total Amount of Grant Funding: \$450,000.00 County Match Requirements: \$0
Grant Period: 3 years Begin Date: 9/01/06 End Date: 8/31/09
Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: 1 Full Time: 1 Part Time:
Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires  Yes No N/A  Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program?  Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items?  Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires?  If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:  a) Absorb the program cost without reducing other services.  b) Identify other revenue sources.  Describe:  c) Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant.
Impact of additional personnel on existing space: Existing space is adequate
Other requirements not mentioned above: None
Department Head Signature Robbette a Glover Date 8/9/06